information from a variety of sensors and assimilates the information, no script program or information is transmitted to or received from the individual patient (Column 3, lines 27-29). Thus, the motivation of Braun is to provide the individual's health information to only the medical professional and not to the individual.

The distinction is important. In the instant invention, the system provides updated scripted information to the individual (patient). To produce this, an interface wherein information can be communicated to the individual is necessary. As the specification explains at page 4, lines 35-39, one of the purposes of the invention is to transfer information to the individual as a method of monitoring an individual's overall health. Accordingly, a system wherein information is transmitted to the individual is essential. Claim 1, which includes an interface for sending information to and receiving information from an individual in not taught by Braun et al.

Therefore, independent Claim 1 is allowable over the cited prior art. Since Claims 2, 4-6 and 8-12 depend from Claim 1, they are allowable for the same reasons that make Claim 1 allowable.

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner has questions or wishes to discuss any aspect of the case, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

Respectfully submitted.

BLACK LOWE & GRAHAMPLLC

Daniel J. Beitey

Registration No. P48,626 Direct Dial: 206.287.0066

Danul J. Soctor

MAIL CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that this communication is being deposited with the United States Postal Service via first class mail under 37 C.F.R. § 1.08 on the date indicated below addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT, Washington D.C., 20231.

9/18/01

ate of Deposit

ichene J. Punston

BLACK LOWE & GRAHAMPLLC